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SONG OF LIBERTY.

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Majestic and Spirited.

With flags abroad.

1. I am a true A - mer - i - can, With spir - it young and free! I love my coun - try and my flag, And I love lib - er - ty!
2. I wish I knew how to be - come A sol - dier by my deeds; And fight - ing real bat - tles, see Just what my coun - try needs;

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But what a - vails my boasting, My shouts and loud hur - rahs; If emp - ty words they car - ry With wav - ing stripes and stars?
She needs that wor - thy patriots De - fend her with their might; To stand like jeal - ous guar - dians, For hon - or, truth, and right.

Hold out the flag!

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3 If I could be a champion,
I would be, with a will!
And then to bear a hero's name,
That would be better still!
For God and truth, a hero
Would battle every wrong;
And God leads on to triumph,
The brave, the true, the strong! *Wave the flag.*

4 With stars God writes our history,
As one by one they rise;
To stamp ideals in the flag
They revolutionize:
While each new annexation,
By stripes and warfare came,
So every star adds glory
To crown our country's name.

5 Who would not be a soldier true,
To battle or to fight,
That we might style America
The other name for right;
Change stripes to stars by struggle!
Change sorrows into songs!
Make all her children heroes! *Wave the flag.*
And wipe out all her wrongs!

6 Hurrah for honor, truth, and right!
When stars which stud our blue
Have stripes for their foundation stones.
They stand for union true!
With stars and stripes together,
The world our stamping ground,
Our banner is transfigured! *Hold flag aloft.*
America is crowned!

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Majestic.

God bless the sol - dier on land or sea! Who fought for free - dom for you and me!

Help and pro - tect him till life is done! God bless the sol - dier! Bless ev - ry one!

God bless the loved ones they left behind
Hearts brave and loyal — of womankind,
Are they in trouble or in distress,
God bless the widow — the fatherless!

O, may the children, whate'er betide,
Stand by their country,— Our God their guide;
Stand, and like heroes in truth express
Life is a battle for righteousness!

God bless the Union! Let nations view
One spangled banner o'er brothers true,
O'er states united, o'er great and small,
God bless our Country! Bless one and all!

Our Stars increasing, our stripes unfurled,
God make us worthy to lead the world,
And, as we triumph, we ask again
God bless the Soldier! Amen, Amen.

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